Chapter 12
Section 6.1
Enclosure 2

## **DEFINITIONS**

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- 1. External Partnership Agreement. An agreement between an MTF Commander (of both hospitals and/or clinics) and a CHAMPUS authorized institutional provider whereby health care personnel employed by a military MTF provide medical services to CHAMPUS beneficiaries in a civilian facility, with authorized costs associated with the use of the facility financed through CHAMPUS in accordance with costs sharing policies outlined in DoD 6010.8-R, reference (d). See Enclosure 4.
- 2.  $\underline{\text{Health Care Personnel}}$ . Full or part-time health care professionals and support personnel.
- 3. <u>Health Care Providers</u>. Civilian health care services personnel who participate in, and facilities which deliver, clinical patient care and services and who are authorized CHAMPUS providers.
- 4. <u>Internal Partnership Agreement</u>. An agreement executed between an MTF Commander (of both hospitals and/or clinics) and a CHAMPUS authorized civilian health care provider which will enable the use of civilian health care personnel or other resources to provide medical services to beneficiaries on the premises of the MTF. Charges for this care will be paid through CHAMPUS with beneficiary cost shares computed as for MTF services (10 U.S.C. 1096 (c), reference (e)). See <u>Enclosure 3</u>.
- 5. Other Resources. Equipment, supplies, and any other items or facilities necessary for health care services, but not including health care personnel, when such other resources are used by or are needed to support a health care provider under a partnership agreement.
- 6. <u>Support Personnel</u>. Non-DoD personnel, not covered by 10 U.S.C. 1089, directly supporting a health care provider under a partnership agreement on the premises of the MTF, under the direct control and supervision of such provider, during the delivery of health care, in the same manner as would be usual and customary in a normal health care office or other applicable clinical setting in the civilian community.